

38th Naval Construction Regiment

Historical Information



*“Construimus, Batuimus”
“We Build, We Fight”*



Location - Peleliu

38th Reg.

- 8-29-44 - CNO Op-30-3CK14-UOT over (SC)P16-5 over Ser. 01206330 to CincPoa (Secret) dtd 13 Aug'44 establishes the 38th Reg. to consist of the 33rd, 51st, 61st, 73rd, 88th (Sp), 17th (Sp) effective when directed by Cincpoa).
- 11-15-44 - Cincpoa requests that orders for the 61st CB, $\frac{1}{2}$ of the 88th CB and $\frac{1}{2}$ of the 6th (Sp) which was transferred with Cmb 12 to Sowerpac be modified detaching these units from the 38th Reg. and assign them to Com7flit. (Cincpoa conf. disp. 080541 NCR 15674 to Comwescarsubarea dtd 11 Nov'44).
- 11-21-44 - The 38th Reg. is located at Peleliu. (Is. ComPeleliu Sec. disp to CNO 050300 NCR 17368 dtd 17 Nov'44).
- 12-12-44 - 38th Regiment located at Peleliu. (IsComPeleliu Sec. Disp. to CNO 011016 dtd 9 Dec'44)
- 1-13-45 - 38th Regiment located at Peleliu. (IsCom Peleliu Sec. Disp to CNO 030037 dtd 11 Jan'45)
- 1-16-45 - 1 Nov'44 report of the 38th Regiment - OinC of the Regiment has temporary add'l duty as Island Engineer for the Third Island Base Hdqtrs., Peleliu Island. Report covered activities of the 33rd, 73rd, 88th (Sec. "A") CBs, 6th (Sp) ($\frac{1}{2}$), and the 17th (Sp). Participated in the landing of assault wave 15 Sep'44.
- 1-26-45 - 1 Dec'44 report of the 38th Reg. - Personnel in the rear echelons of 2 battalions to arrive on 15 Dec. (D plus 91). OinC believes that a transition can be made from a Regimental organization to a PW set-up by 1 Jan'45. Regiment report covers activities of the 33rd, 51st, 73rd, 88th ($\frac{1}{2}$) CB's; 6th ($\frac{1}{2}$) and 17th (Specials)
- 1-29-45 - Cincpoa Sec. Disp to CNO 242205 dtd 25 Jan'45 - requests authority to inactivate the 38th Reg. effective 1 Feb'45. Regimental staff will be assigned as replacements to other FOA Seabee units by Comservpac. (Cincpoa Sec. disp to CNO 242205 dtd 25 Jan'45).

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- 2-7-45 - CNO approves Cincpoa Disp 242205 (Requesting the inactivation of the 38th Reg.). (CNO restricted disp to Cincpoa Ser. 3946 261915 dtd 26 Jan'45).
- 2-12-45 - 38th Reg. being decommissioned and all officers being detached as of 1 Feb'45. (1 Feb'45 off. roster)
- 2-12-45 - 1 Jan'45 report of the 38th Reg. - Units of this Regiment located at Ulithi and Peleliu -
- Ulithi:
- 51st CB- Co's. A, C, D, and Hdqtrs Co. were detached from the Reg. on 27 Dec. and transferred to the 39th Reg.
 - 88th CB- Sec. B located at Mog-Mog, Ulithi will complete their assignment on or about 20 Jan'45 and will be available 25 Jan'45 for detachment from Reg.
 - 6th (Sp)-C/D Detachment located at Asor are under the 38th Reg. for purposes of administration only.
- Peleliu:
- 33rd and 73rd CB's - The rear echelons of these units, consisting of 4 off. and 347 men, rejoined the main body of the batts at this base on 10 Dec'44.
 - 17th (Sp) - Is under the operational control of the IsCom Peleliu and under the Reg. for administration purposes only.

It is expected that all construction presently planned at Peleliu will be completed by 1 April, even if the recommended removal of the 33rd CB takes place on or about 1 Mar'45. In view of the near completion of work at Ulithi, the impending detachment of units based at Ulithi, and the advanced state of plans for construction at Peleliu, it is recommended that the 38th Reg. be decommissioned on 1 Feb'45 or soon thereafter.

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2-15-45 - The 38th Reg. hereby inactivated effective 1 Feb'45. The regimental staff will be assigned by Comservpac as replacements to the Pacific Ocean Area C.B. Units. (CNo conf. ltr Op30-2CK12-UOT over Ser. 051830 to Cincpac dtd 8 Feb'45).

3-21-45 - 1 Feb'45 report of the 38th Reg. -

Ulithi -

- 51st CB - Co. B located at Asor. Doing base maint and will be available to join their batt upon arrival of CBMU 517 or other relief unit.
 - 88th CB - Sec. B preparing to depart from Mog-Mog and rejoin Sec A at Leyte.
 - 6th (Sp) - C/D Detachment located at Asor - engaged in cargo handling for Ulithi
- ## Peleliu -
- 33rd CB - Estimated compl date 1 Mar'45 - to be ret'd to States. CinC 38th Reg. has recommended that the non-rated personnel with less than 30 mos. service be trf'd to the CBMU's at Peleliu.
 - ACESPD - Attached to the 33rd CB. In view of possible departure of Batt, it is recommended that the ACESPD be formed into a CB Detachment and ordered to report to NB Peleliu.
 - 73rd CB - Est date of compl about 1 Apr depending upon arrival of material.
 - 17th (Sp) - No comments.

INACTIVATED

ON BOARD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>AUTHORITY</u>
1 Jan'45	8	24 <small>10 AD 14 PD</small>	R & BNP625
1 Feb'45	7	10	BNP625 & R

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38 (Regiment)				
9/20	-	Cucipoa	C.O. report 1 September	83rd 51st 61st, 73rd, 88th, 6th Sp. 17th Sp. Battalions.
11/20	-	VAWS	2d Com Bellini Sec act dir. 050300 Nov. 4 Jan. 030037	
1/26	-	-	Cucipoa sec dir 242205 Jan.	Request authority to inactivate effective 1 Feb.
3/17	-	Inactivated	ap 30 Cong. ser. 051830 of 8 Feb.	Inactivated - effective 1 Feb 1945.



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AVAILABLE**









